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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) FY 2009 <i>(Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).)</i>		Docket Number (Optional) 22956-214																								
Application Number	10/615,625-Conf. #9377	Filed June 27, 2003																								
For BIOABSORBABLE SUTURE ANCHOR SYSTEM FOR USE IN SMALL JOINTS																										
Art Unit 3731	Examiner	A. T. T. Nguyen																								
This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.																										
The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below):																										
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<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. <input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed. <input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. <input type="checkbox"/> The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number <u>141449</u> .																										
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NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below.																										
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Three Month Request for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136(a)

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Dated: September 2, 2009

Electronic Signature for Rory P. Pheiffer: /Rory P. Pheiffer/